

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the "Related Applications" section starting at page 1, line 4 with the following paragraph:

-- Related Applications

The present application is a[[n]] continuation in part of U.S. Patent Application 09/606,740, filed June 23, 2000. This application is also a continuation in part of U.S. Patent Application 09/603,124, filed June 23, 2000. The present application claims priority to prior filed U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/141031, filed June 25, 1999[,,]; U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/142101, filed July 2, 1999[,,]; U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/143694, filed July 14, 1999; U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/148613, filed August 12, 1999[,,]; U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/151778, filed August 31, 1999 and U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/187970, filed March 9, 2000,~~and also to German Patent Application No. 19931420.0, filed July 8, 1999.~~ This application also claims priority to German Patent Application No. 19932125.6, filed July 9, 1999; German Patent Application No. 19932227.9, filed July 9, 1999; German Patent Application No. 19932228.7, filed July 9, 1999; German Patent Application No. 19932230.9, filed July 9, 1999; German Patent Application No. 19933005.0, filed July 14, 1999; German Patent Application No. 19933006.9, filed July 14, 1999; German Patent Application No. 19940764.9, filed August 27, 1999; German Patent Application No. 19940766.5, filed August 27, 1999; German Patent Application No. 19940832.7, filed August 27, 1999; German Patent Application No. 19941378.9, filed August 31, 1999; German Patent Application No. 19941379.7, filed August 31, 1999; German Patent Application No. 19942077.7, filed September 3, 1999; German Patent Application No. 19942079.3, filed September 3, 1999; German Patent Application No. 19931418.7, filed July 8, 1999; German Patent Application No. 19932126.4, filed July 9, 1999; German Patent Application No. 19932229.5, filed July 9, 1999; German Patent Application No. 19941396.7, filed August 31, 1999; German Patent Application No. 19942087.4, filed

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19932208.2, filed July 9, 1999; German Patent Application No. 19932225.2, filed July 9, 1999; German Patent Application No. 19932914.1, filed July 9, 1999; German Patent Application No. 19940768.1, filed August 27, 1999; German Patent Application No. 19940831.9, filed August 27, 1999; and German Patent Application No. 19941385.1, filed August 31, 1999. The entire contents of all of the aforementioned applications are hereby expressly incorporated herein by this reference. --